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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 2871

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: EXAMINER: DI GRAZIO, J.

FOR: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE  
AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING  
THE SAME

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated October 4, 2002, please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

--1. (Amended) A liquid crystal display device comprising: a sealing material provided on a periphery of a substrate for preventing leakage of liquid crystal, projections formed by etching a film formed on the substrate, and another substrate opposing the substrate being remote therefrom by a gap and being supported by the projections, wherein area occupying ratio of the projections with respect to a region enclosed by the sealing material is not less than 0.001 and not more than 0.003.

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